Axecutive Proclamation State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Claire "Snorty" Ellerton started working for Custer State Park way back in 1954, just after buffalo had been invented; and,

WHEREAS, "Shorty" has worked for Custer State Park for over 26 years, during which time he was a highly-motivated and efficient employee; and,

WHEREAS, "Shorty" is valued by Game, Fish, and Parks as an excellent worker, and is respected by his fellow workers as a sincere friend; and,

WHEREAS, "Shorty's" supervisor, Earl Ellwanger, considers "Shorty" to be the most amiable person he has ever worked with; and,

WHEREAS, "Shorty" was chosen by his fellow employees to be Outstanding Employee of Custer State Park for 1981; and,

WHEREAS, Since "Shorty" spent a good share of his life orking at the old zoo in the Park, it is altogether fitting that this sow a picnic area, shall be named the "Shorty" Ellerton Picnic Area:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM J. JANKLOW, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim that Labor Day--this year and for all years to come--shall be known as

CLAIRE "SHORTY" ELLERTON DAY

In South Dakota, and I personal., commend and salute "Shorty" for diligently working to ensure that future generations of Americans will be able to share in the unspoiled natural beauty of Custer State Park.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have nerounto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-fourth Day of August, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hendred and Eighty-One

TELIAM J. JOHNLOW, COVERNOR

ATTEST:

ALICE KUNDERT, SECRETARY OF STATE